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TAGS: ETRD, IR

SUBJECT: STATUS OF FORD MOTOR COMPANY PROJECT

REF: STATE 110938

1. FORD REPRESENTATIVE (REFTEL) HAS CALLED TO CORRECT IN PART HIS REPORT OF PREVIOUS DAY. HE RETURNED TO DEARBORN TO LEARN THAT SITUATION HAD CHANGED SIGNIFICANTLY IN PAST THREE DAYS.
2. FORD POLICY COMMITTEE WILL MEET MAY 3 TO CONSIDER SOMEWHAT SCALED DOWN, BUT STILL SIGNIFICANTLY LARGE IRAN PROJECT. WHAT HAD BEEN UNDER CONSIDERATION IN LATE SUMMER WAS ENORMOUS UNDERTAKING REQUIRING TOTAL INVESTMENT OF SOME DOLLARS 2 BILLION, OF WHICH DOLLARS 500 MILLION WOULD HAVE TO COME FROM FORD. FORD DECIDED LATTER FIGURE WAS ENTIRELY TOO LARGE TO CONSIDER AT THIS TIME, BUT COMPANY STILL INTERESTED IN BECOMING INVOLVED IN A MAJOR WAY. THUS, WHAT POLICY COMMITTEE WILL NOW CONSIDER IS PROJECT OF SOME LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DOLLARS 1.3 BILLION, AGAIN WITH 25 PERCENT FROM FORD. LATTER AMOUNT WOULD HAVE TO BE PHASED OVER SEVERAL YEARS.

3. FORD REPRESENTATIVE CLEARLY EMBARRASSED AT HAVING MISLED US IN PART, BUT PROMISED TO REPORT OUTCOME OF POLICY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION. VANCE

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